

agent selected from the group consisting of alkyl ether, alkylaryl ether, fatty acid diester and sorbitan monoester type, polyoxyethylene (POE) compounds; and

-- polymerizing said aqueous suspension.

23. (NEW) A process for the preparation of PBBMA co-polymers, said process comprising the steps of:

-- preparing a suspension of PPBMA, said suspension comprising PBBMA in the form of finely ground particles and a suspending agent selected from the group consisting of xanthene gums, anionic or nonionic purified, sodium modified montmorillonite, naphthalene sulfonic acid-formaldehyde condensate sodium salt, sodium, calcium or ammonium salts of sulfonated lignin, acrylic acids/acrylic acids ester copolymer neutralized, sodium polycarboxyl, and a wetting agent selected from the group consisting of alkyl ether, alkylaryl ether, fatty acid diester and sorbitan monoester type, polyoxyethylene (POE) compounds; and

-- co-polymerizing said aqueous suspension with monomers.

24. (NEW) A process for the preparation of PBBMA co-polymers according to claim 23, wherein said monomers comprise acrylic monomers.

25. (NEW) A process according to claim 24, wherein transparent plastics are produced.

CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A suspension of pentabromobenzyl acrylate (PBBMA), comprising PBBMA in the form of finely ground particles and a suspending agent selected from the group consisting of xanthene gums, anionic or nonionic purified, sodium modified montmorillonite, naphthalene sulfonic acid-formaldehyde condensate sodium salt, sodium, calcium or ammonium salts of sulfonated lignin, acrylic acids, acrylic acids ester copolymer neutralized, sodium polycarboxyl, and a wetting agent selected from the group consisting of alkyl ether, alkylaryl ether, fatty acid diester and sorbitan monoester type, polyoxyethylene (POE) compounds.

3. (Amended) A suspension according to claim 1, wherein said suspension of PBBMA is an aqueous suspension.

MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A suspension of pentabromobenzyl acrylate (PBBMA), comprising PBBMA —in the form of finely ground particles and ~~containing~~ a suspending agent selected from the group consisting of xanthene gums, anionic or nonionic purified, sodium modified montmorillonite, naphthalene sulfonic acid-formaldehyde condensate sodium salt, sodium, ~~or~~ calcium or ammonium salts of sulfonated lignin, acrylic acids/acrylic acids ester copolymer neutralized—, sodium polycarboxyl, and a wetting agent selected from the group consisting of alkyl ether, alkylaryl ether, fatty acid diester and sorbitan monoester types, polyoxyethylene (POE) compounds.

3. (Amended) A suspension according to claim 1, wherein said ~~suspending medium is water~~ suspension of PBBMA is an aqueous suspension.